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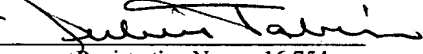
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SECOND STATUS INQUIRY LETTER

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Sir:

In a communication dated July 7, 2003, we were advised that it would be more than fifteen (15) months before this application would receive a first Office Action. We should like to request an updated Status Report advising when Applicants are likely to receive a first Office Action in respect to this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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